## Anne's Metamorphosis

Anne's Metamorphosis Author: Anne Jayne Kuipers Publisher: Cameleon Books, Cape Town ISBN: 062027221X Publishing Date: December 2001

In her book Anne tells her full story of her metamorphosis from male to female. This is not merely a biography, but a truelife story (as Anne calls it) because this book does not tell a story to fit a certain profile, but instead takes the reader through the personal life experience of the author herself. It is precisely this, that makes this book the first of its kind. - Buy the book directely from the author's website Outline

Part one: THE PRINCESS OF THE FOREST Part two: THE ?CLUB? Part three: THE BIG SECRET Part four: THE CHRYSALIS Part five: THE METAMORPHOSIS

Anne starts her story with her wartime birth in Holland, her childhood years and the first discovery of her own being. We are introduced to her family and friends as well as those who help to form her perspective of herself. We learn that she qualified as an architect, designed award-winning projects, married twice and fathered two children (with whom she maintains a good relationship). The reader discovers her move to South Africa where she lectured at the University of Cape Town, work with architectural firms and designed building we can now see in the Western Cape. Anne served on the Franschhoek Council and acquired a high profile position with the Cape Town City Council, which she still holds today. We also get to know the person Anne, her feelings and her secrets. At the age of fifty-four, with most of her obligations fulfilled, Anne felt that she was ready to take the final steps in her change.

If you are looking for a story on the gory details of a man, doing something drastic to become a woman, then this book is not for you. This rather, is the story of a woman, who did what she had to do, to find happiness and fulfilment. For Anne Kuipers freedom could not be bought by applying the rules of convention, she had to follow her heart and make her own sacrifices to find it for herself. In her book of about 300 pages, containing five black and fifteen colour photographs, she tell us this extra-ordinary story of inspiration, courage and hope.

Sample chapters available here.